

REMARKS

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9/10/01 Cancel claim 10
Claims 2-5, 7 and 10-12 were submitted for consideration in the previous amendment of the applicant. In the present office action, claims 2-5, and 10-12 have been rejected and claim 7 has been indicated to be allowable if rewritten to overcome an indefiniteness rejection. By way of this amendment claims 2-5, and 10-12 have been canceled and claim 7 has been so amended. Accordingly only claim 7 is pending and at issue

Applicants traverse the objections to the disclosure. The examiner has objected to the format and language of the specification without citing any formal authority upon which to base the objection. The applicants respectfully submit that the use of such language is consistent with the claim language, in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.73 and MPEP 608.01(d), and is therefore not improper. The objection should accordingly be withdrawn.

In response to the rejection of claim 7 as indefinite. For using the term "folded tabs" in reference to two different sets of folded tabs within the claim, the applicants have amended the claim per the examiner's suggestion. Withdrawal of the rejection is therefore solicited.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.121, attached is a marked-up version of the claims to highlight the changes made by the current amendment. The attached sheet is labeled "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

Also, enclosed is a check in the amount of \$110 for a one month extension for filing this Amendment. If any additional fees are due, please charge out Deposit Account No. 13-2855.

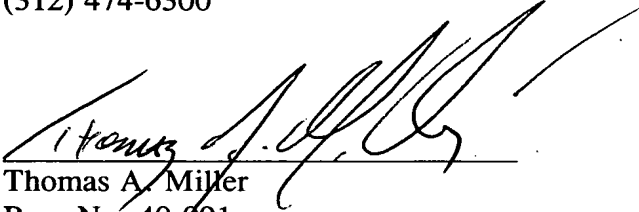
For these foregoing reasons, applicants believe the application to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are therefore respectfully requested.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Claims 2-5 and 11-12 have been canceled.

Claim 7 has been amended as follows:

7. (Twice (Amended) Mechanical assembly comprising:

- a vehicle motor;
- a vehicle chassis;
- an antivibration mount to damp vibration between said motor and said chassis, essentially in a main vibration direction, said antivibration mount comprising first and second rigid strength members suitable for securing respectively to the vehicle motor and the vehicle chassis, an elastomer body interconnecting the two rigid strength members;
- a motor bracket interconnecting the first strength member of the antivibration mount and the vehicle motor;

wherein the first strength member includes a folded metal plate having:

- a planar basis which extends in an oblique direction and which is interposed between the motor bracket and the elastomer body,
- first and second legs which extend substantially parallel to the main vibration direction from said planar basis, toward the second strength member, said first and second legs being extended respectively by first and second fingers which are substantially perpendicular to the main vibration direction and which extend outwards in opposite directions,
- two parallel lugs which are integral with said planar basis and which extend along the main vibration direction on each side of said basis said two lugs being fixed to the motor bracket and being extended by two [folded] bent tabs which are bent below the motor bracket for holding said motor bracket,

wherein the second rigid strength member includes a folded metal plate having:

- a flat basis which is parallel to the planar basis of the first strength member,

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- and first and second folded tabs which extend from said flat basis substantially perpendicular to said fingers and which are pierced by windows, said two fingers of the first rigid strength member passing through said windows respectively for limiting movements of the first and second strength members away from each other.

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